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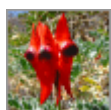
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## South Australian Statistical News and Releases,



## SOUTH AUSTRALIAN STATISTICAL NEWS AND RELEASES

### ABS NEWS AND RELEASES

#### SA Stats (cat. no. 1345.4)

SA Stats provides an overview of the state's population and economy. This publication is updated on a monthly basis, with most releases also containing a feature article on socio-economic and environmental issues of interest.

#### **SA Stats, June 2009**

This month's SA Stats includes a new article on water efficiency in South Australia's vineyards. The article uses data from a variety of sources including the **Australia wine and Grape Industry** to examine the effects of reduced rainfall conditions, that have been recorded across much of South Australia since late 2001. Details on water efficiency and methods of irrigation are also provided.

#### **SA Stats, July 2009**

Fields of study undertaken by South Australia students is July's feature article. The article uses data from a variety of sources including the **Survey of Education and Work**. Data on fields of current study tell us about the areas in which people will be qualified in the future, and therefore help to assess the potential labour capital of South Australia.

#### **SA Stats, August 2009**

August's feature article looks at how South Australians heat and cool their homes. Using data from **Environmental Issues: Energy Use and Conservation, March 2008**, the article examines the number and type of heaters and coolers used. It also outlines the reasons people choose different types of heating. As heating and cooling account for a large amount of a household's energy consumption, the type of appliances people choose has a great impact on their energy use and greenhouse gas emissions.

#### **Marriages and Divorces, Australia, 2008 (cat. no. 3310.0)**

Marriages data is presented by age, previous marital status, country of birth and relative country of birth of both males and females, type of celebrant and whether couple live together prior to marriage. Crude and age-specific marriage rates are also provided. Divorces data is presented by age, duration of marriage at final separation and at date made absolute, country of birth and number of children.

Findings include:

- Between 2007 and 2008, divorces granted in SA decreased by 1.9%, similar to that of Australia (1.6%).
- 37.3% of marriages registered in SA were performed by a Minister of religion compared to 35.0% nationally.
- At an Australian level, there was a 44% increase in marriages in August compared to 2007 due to a large increase in the number of marriages performed on 8 August (08/08/08). Anecdotally, this is an auspicious date in the Chinese calendar.

### **Migration, Australia, 2007-08 (cat. no. 3412.0)**

This publication brings together statistics on international migration into and out of Australia, internal migration (including interstate and intrastate) within Australia and information on overseas-born residents of Australia.

The feature article uses census data to measure population mobility, comparing current place of usual residence with usual residence one and five years earlier. It discusses population mobility at various geographic levels (intrastate and interstate) and some of the characteristics of movers.

South Australian findings from this publication include:

- SA experienced a net loss of 7,700 persons through interstate migration between 2001 and 2006.
- Of the 49,000 people arriving, 28% were from Victoria and 27% from NSW.
- Of the 56,800 people departing, 28% moved to Queensland while a further 28% moved across the border to Victoria.
- In terms of intrastate movements, the SD of Outer Adelaide (incorporating, amongst others, the areas of Mt Barker, Victor Harbor and Kangaroo Island) experienced a percentage gain of 6.4%.

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### **Australian Social Trends, June 2009 (cat. no. 4102.0)**

The June issue of this publication includes, amongst others, articles about internal migration, the living arrangements of young people and health literacy.

From a South Australian perspective findings show:

- The capital city of Adelaide experienced a net loss of 10,000 people.
- Almost a quarter (23%) of all 20-34 year olds in the state lived at home with their parents.
- 41% of the state's population were assessed as having adequate or better health literacy.

### **Recorded Crime - Offenders, Selected states and territories, 2007-08 (cat. no. 4519.0)**

This publication presents a profile of alleged offenders who have been proceeded against by police during the 12 month reference period. Characteristics of the offender include sex, age and Indigenous status as well as the principal offence for which an offender has been proceeded against by police.

Findings include:

- During the reference period police proceeded against 34,500 offenders which equated to 2,454 offenders per 100,000 persons aged 10 years and over in SA.
- More than three out of every four offenders in SA were male (79%). A similar male dominant offender profile was found in all other states and territories.
- The age group with the highest offender rate for both sexes in SA was the 15-19 year

age group.

- Public order offences (21%), theft (16%) and acts intended to cause injury (13%) were the predominant principal offences amongst those aged 10 to 19 years.

## **NON ABS RELEASES**

### **Counting the Homeless 2006, South Australia, Australian Institute of Health and Welfare cat. no. HOU 206**

Counting the Homeless 2006: South Australia is one of eight state and territory reports from the national project, Counting the Homeless 2006 (Chamberlain and MacKenzie 2008). This report introduces new information on the social characteristics of the homeless population of South Australia and the geographical distribution of homeless people.

The main data source for the analysis was the ABS Census of Population and Housing 2006. However, this data was supplemented by information from the Supported Accommodation Assistance Program (SAAP) National Data Collection and the third National Census of Homeless School Students.

Some findings include:

- SA had fewer people in improvised dwellings, tents or sleepers out (11% compared to 16% nationally).
- Nationally, 19% of the homeless were in SAAP accommodation on census night in 2006, but in South Australia the figure was 26%.
- Sixty-six per cent of the homeless in South Australia were aged 34 or younger compared with the national figure of 58%.
- One-quarter (27%) of the homeless in SA were teenagers aged 12 to 18.
- Indigenous people were over represented in the homeless population in SA with a rate of 320 per 10,000 of the population compared with 47 per 10,000 of the non-Indigenous population.

### **Changes in Australia's industry structure: main cities 2001-06 Bureau of Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Economics**

BITRE's Industry Structure Database and information sheet 32 present the latest regional industry trends. The study analyses the shifting geography of employment and highlights the dynamics of industry structure in Australia's main cities between 2001 and 2006.

- In Adelaide the Community Services industry had the highest level of employment growth whereas Government Administration or General Construction had the highest growth in most other large cities.
- The greatest decrease in employed persons in Adelaide was in Machinery and equipment manufacturing, a sub division of the Manufacturing industry.
- The Manufacturing industry was also the largest source of employment decline in Sydney, Melbourne, Wollongong and Geelong. Manufacturing, however, remains a significant employing industry with a share of over 11% of national employment in 2006.

# Upcoming ABS Statistical Training in South Australia



## UPCOMING ABS STATISTICAL TRAINING IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA

### Training Calendar

To assist in developing statistical expertise, the ABS can provide training courses to your staff. Our training programs are conducted by ABS staff with expertise in designing questionnaires, analysing data and managing the survey process. Courses can be tailored to meet the specific needs of your organisation, for example using South Australia-specific information, with the aim of upskilling people in the access, use, interpretation and collection of statistical information.

The ABS also provides regular seminars and information sessions which may focus on statistical developments, publications, trends or issues. The following training is currently scheduled for the Adelaide (SA) office.

### Turning Data into Information

**Date:** 11/11/09 - 12/11/09

**Duration:** 2 days

**Description:** This course is intended to provide skills in interpreting, communicating and displaying data clearly and effectively. Participants will gain skills in transforming data into meaningful written information, particularly in respect to social policy issues. At the completing of this course participants will be able to:

- understand how the collection and compilation of data affects their usefulness, quality and relevance;
- communicate results and prepare written reports;
- construct clear tables and graphs; and
- recognise possible pitfalls in analysis

**Who should attend:** This course will be most beneficial to people who need to use data to produce reports or social commentary, or people who are involved with monitoring and evaluation in a social context.

**Cost:** \$750 (inc. GST)

Further details of training courses and registration forms can be found on the [ABS web site](#) (select 'Services' and then 'ABS Training'). The web site also provides information about other training courses that the ABS can present, courses that are scheduled in other states and territories, and on-line training courses. If you or your colleagues are interested in any courses that have not been scheduled in Adelaide, or you are interested in arranging tailored training packages, please contact the Statistical Consultancy Unit on (08) 8237 7555.

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# Feature ABS Releases



## FEATURE ABS RELEASES

### Publications

#### **ABS introduces new Pensioner and Beneficiary Living Cost Index (cat. no. 6467.0)**

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) provides a general measure of changes in prices of consumer goods and services purchased by Australian households and is used for a variety of purposes, such as in the development and analysis of government economic policy, the adjustment of some government benefits, and individual contracts.

The Pension Review Report completed in February 2009 concluded that an alternative measure of price change more fully responsive to changes in pensioners' purchasing power would be appropriate.

The government has funded the ABS to produce a new index that more specifically reflects changes in the living costs of pensioners and other households receiving income support from the government. In the 2009-10 Budget, the government has indicated that it will use this new index, the Pensioner and Beneficiary Living Cost Index (PBLCI), to index base pension rates where it is higher than the CPI.

The ABS will progressively improve the index to better reflect the price changes experienced by pensioners and beneficiaries and will publish the PBLCI quarterly.

In this first issue, the PBLCI showed a 0.1% increase in prices compared with the 0.5% increase reported in the CPI for the June quarter 2009. The PBLCI showed a 0.9% increase for the March quarter 2009, compared with the 0.1% increase for the CPI.

Further information, including how the PBLCI is calculated and its relationship to the CPI, is available in the [Information Paper: Introduction of the Pensioner Cost Living Index \(PBLCI\) \(cat. no. 6466.0\)](#).

### Other Information

#### **The possibilities are endless with Census TableBuilder**

TableBuilder is a new and innovative online tool which allows you to create your own custom tables of Census data including person, family and dwelling classifications. All person, family and dwelling data in TableBuilder is available by Place of Enumeration (location on Census night); person data is also available by Place of Usual Residence and Place of Work.

TableBuilder's large table function makes creating tables with up to five million cells of Census data a breeze!

#### ***Who would benefit from using TableBuilder?***

TableBuilder is a product aimed at clients with a high level of experience in Census data concepts, who have the need for customised Census data on a regular basis.

### ***Which geographic areas are available in TableBuilder?***

All main Australian Standard Geographic Classification and Census specific geographies are available in TableBuilder. You can access data for areas as small as a Collection District (approximately 225 households) or as large as an entire state or territory or all of Australia. TableBuilder also allows you to customise your own geographic areas. Mesh Block data will not be available in TableBuilder.

### ***What format is the data available in?***

Tables build in TableBuilder can be exported in either CSV or Excel format. Maps and graphs can be exported in either PDF or PNG format. Tables can also be saved within the product so they can be retrieved in future sessions.

### ***Pricing***

TableBuilder is available exclusively by subscription. Access to the 2006 Census is at a cost of \$1,655.00 inclusive of GST per licence, which are issued to individuals. This price includes helpline support and an online training package. To subscribe, go to [www.abs.gov.au.tablebuilder](http://www.abs.gov.au.tablebuilder) or phone the National Information and Referral Service on 1300 135 070 between 8:00am and 4:30pm (SA time), Monday to Friday. Please note that all TableBuilder subscribers will be asked to complete an undertaking form outlining obligations when using TableBuilder.

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### **Introduction of revised standards in ABS economic statistics in 2009 and their impact on ABS data.**

In September quarter 2009, ABS economic statistics will undergo the largest single change in over a decade. The ABS will be aligning all of our sub annual collections and National Accounts with recently updated international standards. There will be changes to many of the concepts output in ABS publications, the structure of industry and the coverage of our collections.

The revised standards (ANZSIC 2006, SESA 2008, SNA Rev1 and BPM5) affect all ABS economic collections and any labour force and social collections that publish on an industry basis, including:

- National Accounts
- International Accounts and Trade
- Economic Indicators
- Labour statistics
- Retail statistics
- Business Characteristics, R & D and IT statistics
- Mining, Manufacturing and Building statistics
- Agriculture statistics
- ABS Price Indexes
- Services Industry statistics

For a complete list of ANZSIC related publications and release details see Chapter 6 of [Information Paper: Update on ANZSIC 2006 Implementation, Australia, 2008 \(cat. no. 1295.0.55.001\)](#).

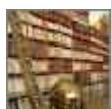
## **Community Indicators Summit - video presentations now available**

The Community Indicators Summit held in Brisbane in July 2009 provided a unique opportunity for over 150 attendees to share learnings, exchange ideas and strategies and report on advancements in the field of community indicators in Australia and internationally.

The video presentations from the Summit are now available from the [NSS website](#)

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## **Summary of Selected ABS Releases**



### **SUMMARY OF SELECTED ABS RELEASES**

#### **Economic, Environmental and Social Releases**

##### **Economic Releases**

##### **Standard Economic Sector Classification of Australia (SESCA), 2008 (cat. no. 1218.0)**

Contains the Standard Institutional Sector Classification of Australia (SISCA) and the associated classifications which are used in the compilation and publication of national accounts and related statistics. Some examples of the associated classifications are the Public/Private, Level of Government and Jurisdiction classifications.

##### **Spotlight on National Accounts, 2009 (cat. no. 5202.0)**

The key purpose of this publication is to raise awareness of the National Accounts data, concepts, methods so that users will be able to use it more effectively. The content of the publication is aimed at a relatively non-technical level and is easy to read. The 2009 issue explores conceptual differences and appropriate uses of State Final Demand (SFD) and Gross State Product (GSP).

##### **Government Financial Estimates, Australia, 2009-10 (cat. no. 5501.0.55.001)**

This release presents consolidated budget forecasts for the general government sector by jurisdiction. Government Financial Estimates (GFE) are compiled from initial budget forecasts. No adjustments are made to these estimates as a result of revised forecasts. Two main statements are presented; the Operating Statement and the Cash Flow Statement.

##### **Business Use of Information Technology, 2007-08 (cat. no. 8129.0)**

This electronic release presents detailed indicators on the incidence of business use of information technology and associated activities, such as Internet commerce in Australia. There are two components to this release: web based information and data cubes. Many of the data cubes present data cross-classified for industry by employment size.

##### **Information Paper: Experimental Estimates of Motor Vehicle Use, 12 months ended 31 October 2008 (cat. no. 9222.0)**

This publication contains experimental estimates for the 12 months ended 31 October 2008 of total distance travelled, laden business distance, tonne-kilometres and fuel consumption on the use of passenger vehicles, motor cycles, trucks and buses registered in Australia.

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## **Environmental Releases**

### ***Agriculture in Focus: Farmers' Perception of a Change in Climate, 2006-07 (cat. no. 7104.0.55.002)***

This paper presents an analysis of associations between farmers' perceptions of change to climate and the characteristics of the farmers and/or their businesses.

### ***Australian Farming in Brief, 2009 (cat. no. 7106.0)***

Summary information about agriculture and related statistics, e.g. land use; number and type of farm businesses; estimated value of agricultural operations; livestock numbers; production of crops, fruit, vegetables, meat, other livestock products; gross value of agricultural commodities produced; value of exports; and area of pastures and crops irrigated.

### ***Value of Agricultural Commodities Produced, Australia, 2007-08 (cat. no. 7503.0)***

This publication contains final estimates of gross and local values of production of major agricultural commodities for all states, territories and Australia for the year ended 30 June 2008.

Gross value of production data are provided for selected broadacre, fruit (including grapes) and vegetable crops, livestock slaughtering and other disposals, and livestock products.

### ***Use of the Internet on Farms, Australia, 2007-08 (cat. no. 8150.0)***

Provides statistics on farm use of the Internet on a regional basis. The data are sourced from the annual Agricultural Resource Management Survey which included a question on farm use of the Internet.

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## **Social Releases**

### ***National Offence Index, 2009 (cat. no. 1234.0.55.001)***

The National Offence Index (NOI) is a tool which provides an ordinal ranking of the offence categories in the Australian Standard Offence Classification (ASOC) according to perceived seriousness in order to determine a principal offence for an offender with multiple offences. The NOI has been revised in 2009 and is to be used in conjunction with the second edition of ASOC.

### ***Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC) Digital Boundaries (Intercensal), Australia, July 2009 (cat. no. 1259.0.30.001)***

This product contains the digital boundaries current for the ASGC Edition 2009 (date of effect 1 July 2009). The digital boundaries are presented in MapInfo Interchange Format and ESRI Shapefile Format, and are based on the datum GDA94.

**Research Paper: Assessing the Likely Quality of the Statistical Longitudinal Census Dataset, August 2009 (cat. no. 1351.0.55.026)**

As part of the Census Data Enhancement project, the Australian Bureau of Statistics has conducted a quality study that simulates the formation of the Statistical Longitudinal Census Dataset (SLCD). This simulation has been carried out by linking 2006 Census and 2006 Census Dress Rehearsal data. This paper describes a variety of methods that have been used to examine the quality of the data linked without name and address and extends those findings to predict the quality that can be expected when the first two waves of the SLCD are linked.

**First Issue Research Paper: Assessing the Quality of Linking Migrant Settlement Records to Census Data, August 2009 (cat. no. 1351.0.55.027)**

As part of the Census Data Enhancement project, the Migrants Quality Study was conducted to assess the feasibility of linking the Department of Immigration and Citizenship's Settlement Database (SDB) to the SLCD, without the use of name and address as linking variables. This paper provides some background to the Migrants Quality Study, a brief description of the linking process, a thorough evaluation of the quality of the linked data, and then associated discussion about the usefulness of the linked data.

**Australian Demographic Statistics, Dec 2008 (cat. no. 3101.0)**

Australian Demographic Statistics presents quarterly estimates of total population for states, territories and Australia. The publication includes the most recent estimates of the population in five-year age groups; numbers (and some rates) of births, deaths, infant deaths, interstate and overseas movements. Quarterly and/or annual time series tables are provided. Also included are projected resident populations, projected population in households, projected number of households and projected average household size for states, territories and Australia.

**Population Estimates: concepts, Sources and Methods, 2009 (cat. no. 3228.0.55.001)**

This publication gives an overview of the range of population estimates produced by the ABS and outlines some of the major uses for these population estimates. The methods and data used to produce population estimates at the national/state and statistical local area levels are covered, as is the method used to produce population estimates for customised geography. Additional information of components of population growth and of selected sub-populations is provided and data sources used to produce population estimates are described.

**Cultural Funding by Government, Australia, 2007-08 (cat. no. 4183.0)**

This publication contains estimates of Australian public funding for arts and cultural activities, facilities and services across the three levels of government for 2007-08. Detailed expenditure by local governments for heritage and arts cultural activities, facilities and services is provided for the first time.

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**Childhood Education and Care, Australia, June 2008 (cat. no. 4402.0)**

This publication presents information on children aged 0-12 years and their families. Information is collected about the use of formal and informal care, requirements for additional preschool/kindergarten or formal care, patterns of child care attendance, child care costs, the use of the child care benefit, working arrangements used by parents to help

care for their children and parental income. Information is also collected about patterns of attendance at preschool/kindergarten and school, including historical and usual attendance, and frequency of attendance.

**Recorded Crime - Victims, Australia, 2008 (cat. no. 4510.0)**

This publication provides a breakdown of the selected offences by: victim characteristics (age and sex); the nature of the incident (weapon use and location); and outcome of police investigations at 30 days. These data are also available by state and territory. The collection also provides for selected state and territories information about the relationship of the offender to victim and the Indigenous status of a victim.

**Self-employed Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People, 2006 (cat. no. 4722.0.55.009)**

This snapshot will describe the characteristics of Indigenous people who indicated they were self-employed in the 2006 Census. Characteristics for analysis will include age, sex, hours worked, income, industry of employment and occupation.

**Analytical Living Cost Indexes for Selected Australian Household Types, June 2009 (cat. no. 6463.0)**

This publication presents analytical living cost indexes for selected Australian household types. These price indexes are designed specifically to measure the impact of changes in prices on the out-of-pocket living costs experienced by four household types: Employee households; Age pensioner households; Other government transfer recipient households; and Self-funded retiree households.

**Household Income and Income Distribution, Australia, 2007-08 (cat. no. 6523.0)**

Provides estimates of income received by households, classified by various characteristics of the households and their residents. Improvements have been made to the measurements of income presented to incorporate: non-cash benefits provided to employees, termination payments and lump sum workers compensation payments, and to improve the coverage of bonuses and irregular overtime payments and inter-household transfers. Also included. for the first time, summary child care usage and cost information.

**Legal Services, Australia, 2007-08 (cat. no. 8667.0)**

This publication provides detailed measures of the performance and structure of legal services businesses/organisations operating in Australia. It includes aspects such as the composition of income and funding received, details of expenses incurred and characteristics of employment. A state dimension is also presented.

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## About this Release

Statistical News SA provides readers with new and relevant information about significant ABS data releases, state data releases, survey developments, training, information sessions and major changes to the statistical program.

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